

## **DS-160 FAQ**

### **Am I required to complete the DS-160?**

Yes, all applicants for a non-immigrant visa must now use the DS-160. We no longer accept the older DS-156 form. The only exception is for applicants for a K visa.

### **The on-line form asks for my name in my native language. What does this mean?**

If your native language uses a non-Western alphabet (Chinese, Arabic, Hindi, Russian, etc.), you must include your name written in your native language script. If you do not do so, you will be asked to correct the DS-160 and reschedule your appointment. The form itself does not provide non-English fonts, but you may find it easiest to write your name in your native script in a Word document or on another web site and then 'cut-and-paste' your name into the DS-160.

### **The on-line form does not have several Danish letters. How do I correctly spell my name?**

You should spell your name exactly as it appears in machine-readable zone at the bottom of the biographic data page of your passport. The "æ" should be written as "ae", the "å" should be written as "aa", and the "ø" should be written as "oe". This is very important—if you fail to properly spell your name, you will be asked to correct the information and reschedule your interview.

### **My name has an *umlaut* in it. What do I do?**

You should spell your name exactly as it appears in machine-readable zone at the bottom of the biographic data page of your passport.

### **I don't know what my "purpose of travel" is. Where do I look?**

On the Travel Information page, you are asked to identify your purpose of travel. Several common reasons are listed. If you do not see an answer that describes your travel plans, click on other. This will activate a secondary menu of less common choices. You must select a purpose of travel to continue your application.

### **Is the National Identification Number the same as my CPR number?**

For Danes, Yes. For non-Danes, please use your national ID number.

### **What do I enter for U.S. Social Security Number and/or U.S. Taxpayer ID Number?**

People who have worked or studied in the United States may have these numbers and should supply this number. However, if you do not have either a Social Security Number or Taxpayer ID number, you should tick the box "Does not apply".

**The form is asking for my Passport Book Number but I am not sure if I have one.**

If you are a Danish passport holder this information will not apply to you, and you should tick the "Does not apply" field. For nationals of any other country, please check with your local embassy or consulate or with the passport issuing office.

**The form is asking for the city in which my passport was issued. I have no idea.**

Many countries list the place of issuance on the biographic data page under a data field entitled "Myndighed/Authority/Autorité". However, if you are not sure about the place of issuance, please check with your local embassy or consulate or with the authority that issued your passport.

**The form is asking for the date of issuance for my passport. I have no idea.**

The date of issuance can be found on the biographic data page under a data field entitled "Udstedelsesdato/Date of Issue/Date de délivrance". However, if you are not sure about the date of issuance, please check with your local embassy or consulate or with the authority that issued your passport.

**I have saved the form to a CD/USB. Should I bring it with me to the interview in case there is a problem?**

No, visitors are not permitted to bring a CD or USB into the Embassy.

**I mistakenly selected the wrong post for the data to be sent to. What should I do?**

You should attend the interview as scheduled and bring with you your confirmation sheet. It is possible for the Embassy/Consulate to transfer the data to their post.